

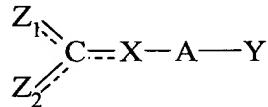
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-85. **(Cancelled)**

86. **(Currently Amended)** A method for treating Parkinson's disease in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of creatine, a creatine phosphate or a creatine compound and a neuroprotective agent, such that Parkinson's disease in said subject is treated, wherein said neuroprotective agent is selected from the group consisting of inhibitors of glutamate excitotoxicity, 2,3 dimethoxy-5-methyl-6-decaprenyl benoquinone, nicotinamide, spin traps, growth factors, nitric oxide synthase inhibitors, cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitors, aspirin, ICE inhibitors, neuroimmunophilis, N-acetylcysteine, antioxidants, lipoic acid, cofactors, riboflavin, and CoQ10, wherein said creatine compound has the formula:



and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

a) Y is -CO₂H;

b) A is selected from the group consisting of: C, CH, C₁-C₅alkyl, C₂-C₅alkenyl, C₂-C₅alkynyl, and C₁-C₅ alkoyl chain, each having 0-2 substituents which are selected independently from the group consisting of:

1) K, where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoyl, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

2 -NH-M, wherein M is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl, C₁-C₄ alkoyl, C₃-C₄ branched alkyl, C₃-C₄ branched alkenyl, and C₄ branched alkoyl;

c) X is NR₁, wherein R₁ is selected from the group consisting of:

1) hydrogen;

2) K where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoyl, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

d) Z₁ and Z₂ are chosen independently from the group consisting of: -NHR₂, wherein R₂ is selected from the group consisting of:

1) hydrogen;

2) K, where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoyl, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

3 a C₄-C₈ a-amino-carboxylic acid attached via the w-carbon; and

4 B, wherein B is selected from the group consisting of: -CO₂H, -NHOH, -SO₃H, and -NO₂, ~~wherein J is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and aryl~~, wherein B is optionally connected to the nitrogen via a linker selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₂ alkyl, C₂ alkenyl, and C₁-C₂ alkoyl.

87-90. **(Cancelled)**

91. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is a spin trap.

92. **(Cancelled)**

93. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is a cofactor for normal cellular metabolism carnitine.

94. **(Cancelled)**

95. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is an antioxidant.

96. **(Cancelled)**

97. **(Cancelled)**

98. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is riboflavin.

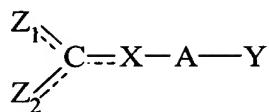
99. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 86 or 133, further comprising administering at least one additional neuroprotective agent or creatine compound.

100. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said creatine compound is creatine.

101-107. **(Cancelled)**

108. **(Currently Amended)** A method for treating Huntington's disease in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of creatine, a creatine phosphate or a creatine compound and a neuroprotective agent, such that Huntington's disease is treated, wherein said neuroprotective agent is selected from the group consisting of inhibitors of glutamate excitotoxicity, 2,3 dimethoxy-5-methyl-6-decaprenyl benoquinone, nicotinamide, spin traps, growth factors, nitric oxide synthase inhibitors, cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitors, aspirin, ICE inhibitors, neuroimmunophilins, N-acetylcysteine, antioxidants, lipoic acid, cofactors, riboflavin, and CoQ10, wherein said creatine compound has the formula:



and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

a) $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$;

b) A is selected from the group consisting of: C, CH, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$ alkyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_5$ alkenyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_5$ alkynyl, and $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_5$ alkoyl chain, each having 0-2 substituents which are selected independently from the group consisting of:

1) K, where K is selected from the group consisting of: $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ straight alkyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ straight alkenyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ straight alkoyl, $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ branched alkyl, $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ branched alkenyl, and $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6$ branched alkoyl, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

2) $-\text{NH}-\text{M}$, wherein M is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ alkyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_4$ alkenyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ alkoyl, $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_4$ branched alkyl, $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_4$ branched alkenyl, and C_4 branched alkoyl;

c) X is NR_1 , wherein R_1 is selected from the group consisting of:

1) hydrogen;

2) K where K is selected from the group consisting of: $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ straight alkyl, $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_6$ straight alkenyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ straight alkoyl, $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ branched alkyl, $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$ branched alkenyl, and $\text{C}_4\text{-C}_6$ branched alkoyl, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

d) Z_1 and Z_2 are chosen independently from the group consisting of: $-\text{NHR}_2$, wherein R_2 is selected from the group consisting of:

1) hydrogen;

2) K, where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl; C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoxy, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoxy, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

3) a C₄-C₈ a-amino-carboxylic acid attached via the w-carbon; and

4) B, wherein B is selected from the group consisting of: -CO₂H, -NHOH, -SO₃H, and -NO₂, ~~wherein J is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and aryl~~, wherein B is optionally connected to the nitrogen via a linker selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₂ alkyl, C₂ alkenyl, and C₁-C₂ alkoxy.

109-112. **(Cancelled)**

113. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 108 or 134, wherein said neuroprotective agent is a spin trap.

114. **(Cancelled)**

115. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 108 or 134, wherein said neuroprotective agent cofactor is a cofactor for normal cellular metabolism carnitine.

116. **(Cancelled)**

117. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 108 or 134, wherein said neuroprotective agent is an antioxidant.

118. **(Cancelled)**

119. **(Cancelled)**

120. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 117, wherein said neuroprotective agent is riboflavin.

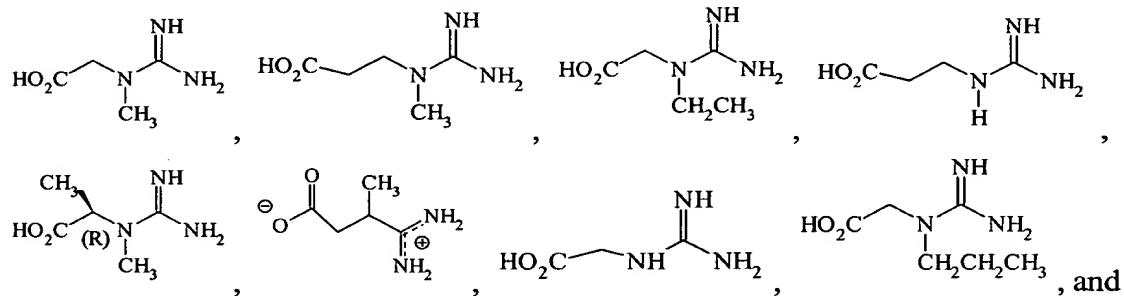
121. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 108 or 134, further comprising administering at least one additional neuroprotective agent or creatine compound.

122. **(Previously Presented)** The method of claim 108 or 134, wherein said creatine compound is creatine.

123-132. **(Cancelled)**

133. **(Currently Amended)** A method for treating Parkinson's disease in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of creatine, a creatine phosphate or a creatine compound and a neuroprotective agent, such that Parkinson's disease in said subject is treated, wherein said neuroprotective agent is selected from the group consisting of inhibitors of glutamate excitotoxicity, 2,3 dimethoxy-5-methyl-6-decaprenyl benoquinone, nicotinamide, spin traps, growth factors, nitric oxide synthase inhibitors, cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitors, aspirin, ~~ICE inhibitors, neuroimmunophilis, N-acetylcysteine, antioxidants, lipoic acid, cofactors, riboflavin, and CoQ10~~, wherein said creatine compound is selected from the group consisting of:



134. **(Currently Amended)** A method for treating Huntington's disease in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of creatine, a creatine phosphate or a creatine compound and a neuroprotective agent, such that Huntington's disease is treated, wherein said neuroprotective agent is selected from the group consisting of inhibitors of glutamate excitotoxicity, 2,3 dimethoxy-5-methyl-6-decaprenyl benoquinone, nicotinamide, spin traps, growth factors, nitric oxide synthase inhibitors, cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitors, aspirin, ~~ICE inhibitors, neuroimmunophilis, N-acetylcysteine,~~

antioxidants, lipoic acid, ~~cofactors~~, riboflavin, and CoQ10, wherein said creatine compound is selected from the group consisting of:

